# RULES OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS

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**Rule 1.     AUTHORITY OF CHIEF JUDGE.**

The chief judge of the intermediate court of appeals shall supervise the administrative duties of this court subject to the chief justice as administrative head of the courts, and in that capacity shall assist the chief justice as to the efficient operation of this court and the expeditious dispatch of the judicial business of this court.

*(Renumbered September 1984.)*

**Rule 2.     PUBLICATION OF OPINIONS OF INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS; CITATION OF OPINION.**

**(a) Publication of full opinions**. A full opinion of the intermediate court of appeals shall be published in a manner authorized by the supreme court. The supreme court, however, may order that a full opinion be changed to a memorandum opinion.

**(b) Citation of opinions**. A memorandum opinion shall not be cited by a court or by a party in any other action or proceeding except when the opinion establishes the law of the pending case, res judicata or collateral estoppel, or in a criminal action or proceeding involving the same defendant or a disciplinary action or proceeding involving the same respondent.

*(Amended March 8, 1984, effective March 8, 1984; renumbered September 1984.)*

**Rule 3.     TIME LIMITS FOR DISPOSITION.**

Within 6 months after oral argument of a case or matter, or if it has been submitted on the briefs, within 6 months of the date oral argument would have been scheduled, the intermediate court of appeals insofar as practicable, shall issue a decision or ruling disposing of the case or matter.

*(Renumbered September 1984.)*